

House Bill 991

By: Representative Hembree of the 67th

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED
AN ACT

1 To amend Article 1 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated,
2 relating to general provisions regarding the lottery for education, so as to mandate a certain
3 percentage of net proceeds of the lottery for education purposes; to provide for related
4 matters; to repeal conflicting laws; and for other purposes.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF GEORGIA:

6 **SECTION 1.**

7 Article 1 of Chapter 27 of Title 50 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated, relating to
8 general provisions regarding the lottery for education, is amended by revising subsection (a)
9 of Code Section 50-27-13, relating to the disposition of lottery proceeds, as follows:

10 "(a)(1) All lottery proceeds shall be the property of the corporation.

11 (2) From its lottery proceeds the corporation shall pay the operating expenses of the
12 corporation. As nearly as practical, at least 45 percent of the amount of money from the
13 actual sale of lottery tickets or shares shall be made available as prize money; provided,
14 however, that this paragraph shall be deemed not to create any lien, entitlement, cause of
15 action, or other private right, and any rights of holders of tickets or shares shall be
16 determined by the corporation in setting the terms of its lottery or lotteries.

17 (3) ~~As nearly as practical, for~~ For each fiscal year, net proceeds shall equal at least 35
18 percent of the lottery proceeds. However, for the first two full fiscal years and any partial
19 first fiscal year of the corporation, net proceeds need only equal 30 percent of the
20 proceeds as nearly as practical."

21 **SECTION 2.**

22 All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this Act are repealed.